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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Subject: In the Matter of LightSquared LLC Request for Modification of its Authority for an Ancillary Terrestrial Component; SAT-MOD-20101118-00239

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Technology will never cease to grow and develop. The key is making sure that technology is accessible to everyone, so that we all may grow and develop together. I'm writing today to express my support for a company called LightSquared because its plans will make technology more accessible, especially to currently underserved communities.

To explain, LightSquared plans to invest \$14 billion to build a wholesale 4G wireless network. As a wholesale provider, LightSquared will allow niche wireless companies, including those that specialize in non-contract plans that appeal to lower-income families, to provide broadband wireless access. This will bring badly needed competition to the cell phone industry, which in turn, will dramatically lower prices for all.

Sadly, LightSquared's endeavors have been delayed due to interference issues with GPS receivers, but with the collaborative effort of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), LightSquared believes that the issues will be resolved.

Therefore, I write to express my support for the FCC's efforts to address the interference issues so that LightSquared can bring broadband wireless coverage to underserved communities across the nation.

Sincerely,

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